

LIO Action Agenda Strategy Review

Presentation to Sno/Stilly LIO Exec Committee January 13, 2022



Overall Action Agenda Update Timeline



Overview of Timeline

- Jan. 6 19: LIO coordinators and committees provide feedback and content on high level actions and additional draft AA sections in close partner review
- Jan 19: LIO comments due
- Jan. 20 Feb. 9: Extended window for feedback and content;
- Jan. 27 Mar. 3: Winter boards review cycle
- Mar. 7 Apr. 20: Proposed time for reaffirming of LIO rankings
- Mid-Mar. ~Apr. 20: Public review and comment and SEPA review
- May 2: Tentative finalized AA draft
- June 8 9: Leadership Council meeting; approval of AA,
- June 8 or 9- SNO/STILLY LIO WORKSHOP in Leadership Council Mtg

Action Agenda Priority Review Request 1

- LIO input on the high-level actions and their descriptions.
- Questions to consider in your review of the draft high-level actions and their descriptions are as follows:
 - Are there critical word changes or edits needed for the high-level action?
 - Are there key elements missing?
 - Are there additional high-level actions that are essential to advance the associated strategy?
 - Are there additional opportunities from your specific LIO that are not represented?

How will LIO feedback be utilized?

- Inform editorial changes to the wording of the high-level actions or their descriptions of key opportunities
- Affirm what is in the high-level action and descriptions of key opportunities
- Fill any critical gaps in important content that is missing in the action wording or description of key opportunities
- Remove any major red flags from the high-level action and its description of key opportunities

What is a high-level action for the 2022-2026 Action Agenda?

- Activities that will be a shared focus for implementing a particular strategy for the four years from 2022 to 2026.
- Includes capital projects (e.g., restoration and acquisition); program
 development, improvement, or implementation; education; outreach;
 research; legislative or policy improvements; or other types of
 activities.
- Include partners that should collaborate to implement the strategy.
- Actions are higher level and less specific than a Near Term Action (NTA)
- Intended to guide partner implementation and innovation
- Inform support by the boards and regional partners and the focus of public and private funding.

Action Agenda Review Roll up

- 30 combine/delete comments from July review missed (150 strategies)
 - Mostly around Climate change & Human wellbeing
 - Example combine #125, 132 and 133
 - 125: Cultivate broad-scale stewardship practices and behaviors among Puget Sound residents that benefit Puget Sound.
 - 132: Develop targeted engagement campaigns to educate and empower residents, including youth, about the effects, risks, and opportunities to reduce emissions and decrease the vulnerability of the Puget Sound and its communities to climate change.
 - 133: Develop targeted engagement campaigns to educate and empower decision makers and relevant professionals about the effects, risks, and opportunities to reduce emissions and decrease the vulnerability of the Puget Sound socioecological system to climate change
- 43 revision comments from January review (130 high-level actions/strategies from July)
 - 14 of these are additional combine/delete comments from January review
 - Next slides show key revisions
- Discuss HLA comments for increased engagement/key opportunities (16)

HLA Comments- Slide 1

High-Level Action ID	Comments
67	Revise Action Description to read: Key opportunities for 2022-2026 include; understanding and addressing landside housing affordability issues to reduce frequency and intensity of unmaintained liveaboards anchored in Puget Sound; developing targeted education and outreach strategies for marinas, retailers, registration offices, and vessel owners; coordinating ensure that patrols by partner agencies identify potentially derelict vessels, report them in the MyCoast app, and proactively deliver appropriate outreach and enforcement; expanding state and fede funding for derelict vessel removal programs through new and existing mechanisms, and increase and incentivize the Washington State Vessel Turn in Program. Note: Conducting Housing affordability studies are far beyond expertise and purview of PS recovery community and will not be a cost-effective option to remove derelict boats at the source. The cost of an expensive study like this would be better directed to derelict boat removal.
123	Key Opportunities Addition: Effectively engage local partners like LIOs to share information and increase transparency, describe how requests for LIO input and comment were used after the request, create an Ex-Officio LIO Staff seat at the Leadership Council, continue to better think through opportunities for comment and partnership from LIOs to support increased collaboration, Implement and support LIO Barriers Removal Project across Puget Sound. Remove Leadership Council Led forums, could be led by a number of partners.
175	Revise Action Description: Key opportunities for 2022-2026 include conducting a detailed and thorough economic study and cost benefit analysis and subsequent legislative request to set a State mandated minimum yearly charge for owners of Onsite Septic Systems to create robust local programs that are well funded to provide oversight, inspection reminders, training, and enforcement notices.

HLA Comments- Slide 2

High-Level Action ID	Comments
41	Revise High Level Action to include hotspot prioritization and a cost/benefit analysis to spend limited funds. There are many toxic hotspots but not enough funding to fix all of them.
40	Example Actions: 1) Establish stable funding sources to fully implement local ongoing On-Site Septic Programs, particularly in rural areas with shellfish resources by, for example, ensuring that property fees fully cover the cost of on-site septic management programs within rural areas. 2) Revisit the recent failed statewide bills to require all Puget Sound Health District to charge a septic fee. Fund and complete a technical report to determine the appropriate fee with input from stakeholders. The last effort was HB 1715 from 2015 and HB 1476 in 2018 neither of which passed. 3) Increase role of WDOH in ensuring that LHJs implement septic management plans. 4) Create a statewide collaboration with resources for LHJs to share information, create economies of scale, streamline online databases, and update local codes.
155	Do centralized sewer systems include community septic systems? Clarify and revise to explicitly include community septic systems and conduct a study PS wide as to have one study with prioritized areas to focus on.
62	Action Description should be revised to include marinas. Currently, state law allows a marina to operate WITHOUT a pump out facility. This should be addressed and prioritized to ensure that likely places for boat owners to pump out are available and convenient.
137	Revise Action Description to include partnering with Floodplains by Design

HLA Comments- Slide 3

High-Level Action ID	Comments
18	Revise Action Description to include a high-level statewide mapping component that is available to all local partners on a website to make planning easier
19	Revise Action Description to eliminate high level buzz words and jargon. Define integrated management. Does develop and maintain a public support framework mean develop and implement a social marketing campaign? Suggest that be added.
152	Revise Action Description to include Key opportunities for agencies to collaborate to remove barriers by stream reach or sub basin rather than just by jurisdiction or ownership to create economies of scale and open up larger sections of streams. Replicate King County ranking and prioritization program to provide a cost benefit analysis to prioritize limited funding.
28 + 29	Revise Action Description to specifically include WREC planning groups and coordinate with them
45	Combine with HLA 42. Support adding LID Salmon Safe element to remove copper flashing when building new homes. Support Strait ERN example action also.
9	Missing High-Level Action: Need to ensure that PIC programs are effective. Provide regional PIC Program oversight, evaluation and adaptive management.
32	Example Action: Create priority maps with parcel level detail on retrofit potential to reduce stormwater pollution runoff throughout all Puget Sound Drainages and then share and incentivize through a grant program to fund key retrofits with local governments and other partners.

LIO Executive Committee Recommendation Options:

- Approve Staff recommended changes as described today (including previous comments from July LIO Subcommittee work)
- Overall letter from LIO regarding the expansion and additional scope of 2022-2026 Action Agenda Update and concern as to how we can achieve this given past results, staffing capacity, and lack of clear focus as a region for review at upcoming March/April LIO Exec meeting
- Consider best way to provide feedback to PSP Staff as to how to improve process:
 - Meetings?
 - Letter from staff?
 - Letter from LIO?

Thank you!

Comments? Questions? Thoughts?